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Mine File

February 1, 1990

Mr. Bill Stringer
Moab District Office
Bureau of Land Management
P. O. Box 970
Moab, Utah 84532

Dear Mr. Stringer:

Re: Reclamation Surety Release for Atlas' Cactus Rat Mine, M/019/009, Grand County, Utah

Atlas Minerals recently contacted the Division concerning the release of their reclamation surety on the Cactus Rate mine. Pursuant to the language in the new Memorandum of Understanding between our two agencies, the Division requests the BLM's concurrence on the release of this reclamation surety to the operator.

The mine is located in the NW1/4 of the NE1/4 of Section 33, Township 22 South, Range 22 East. The mine has been permitted with this agency since 1978. The disturbance covers approximately 15 acres.

Currently, the Division holds a \$26,051 reclamation surety, in the form of a Board Contract, on this site. We would like to release this during our March 22, 1990 Board Hearing.

The operator initially reclaimed the site during the spring of 1988. Due to the lack of vegetative success, the Division asked the operator to attempt another reseeding of the area. This was done in January of 1990. During this reseeding, the operator treated an extra 10 to 12 acres of mining disturbance that was pre-law (pre July 1976) as a good faith effort. The operator also repaired some subsidence problems occurring on pre-law disturbance. The Division informed the operator that if the last seeding was performed properly, we would release Atlas from any further obligation at this site.

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Please contact me if you have questions concerning this site.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. Shepherd", written in a cursive style.

Holland Shepherd
Reclamation Specialist/Permit Lead

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cc: Lowell Braxton
Wayne Hedberg
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